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FRUIT AND VEGETABLE BRANCH MEMORANDUM NO. E-3

Government-Owned Automobiles

We have just been advised that an order will be issued shortly, at the direction of the President, requiring that all Government Departments restrict the use of official cars in 1943 to 60 per cent of the mileage in 1942. Just how this is to be accomplished we are not informed.

However, it is imperative that we use official cars only on National War Work. The cars were assigned to us with a distinct understanding that we would use them in connection with inspections of merchandise offered under contracts with war agencies. Mileage is shown on MM-39 forms and carefully checked.

Inspectors will be held strictly accountable for the proper use of the cars assigned to them as violations of rules and improper use of cars may result in having them transferred away from us.

Please bear in mind that official cars are only to be used when other modes of transportation are not feasible. In some instances inspections can be handled just as well by train or by bus, in which event common carriers should be used.

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Chief



